

FLAGS OF ALLIES FLY OVER TURKISH FORTS

Ottomans Make Preparation to Evacuate Constantinople

PETITION TO BE SENT TO THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO PRESERVE NYE CO.

There is grave danger that the legislature will allow from Nye county a very valuable agricultural area and present it to White Pine, a bill to that effect having already been introduced. It is also foreshadowed that Lincoln county is looking with greedy eyes upon the southern portion of Nye, where there are vast possibilities for agricultural and mineral development. The Bonanza has taken the initiative in this important matter. It has prepared a number of petitions, which have been placed at the following business houses: The Bonanza office, Mizpah hotel, Tonopah Banking corporation, Nevada First National bank, Hall Liquor company, Bank saloon, Tonopah Liquor company, the Cobweb and other business places. Following is the heading of the petition, which all are urgently requested to sign:

To the Honorable, the Senators and Assemblymen of Nevada:

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, residents of Nye county, Nevada, freeholders and payers of taxes, strenuously object to the division of this county by which valuable territory, hitherto aiding in the support of the county government, should be removed and attached to other counties, thereby reducing the revenues of Nye county, which said county, by reason of its mineral discoveries, uplifted the entire state financially and brought it out of the slough of despond. It would be a cruel act to do this or any future time penalize Nye county for the good that it has done. We respectfully and earnestly call upon you as representatives of the people in lawmaking bodies assembled, to discountenance any proposed division of Nye county and to each and all individually to the end that the boundaries be not disturbed, and we will ever pray.

(Signed)

GREAT BRITAIN DECLARES BLOCKADE ON PORTS OF ALL HOSTILE POWERS

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, March 1.—The establishment of a virtual blockade of hostile countries is declared by Great Britain, in reply to Germany's attacks on merchant shipping. It was announced officially today in the house of commons by Premier Asquith. The plan of the allies for regulation of shipping to and from ports of hostile powers contemplates preventing commodities of every kind reaching or leaving those ports, without, however,

involving risks to neutral vessels. He revealed these measures of reprisals on introducing the third and fourth votes for credit to meet war expenses. These consist of \$185,000,000 to balance the expenditures for the current fiscal year, making the total cost \$1,810,000,000, with \$1,250,000,000 as the first installment for the year beginning April 1.

A vote of the credits asked by the government, the largest ever before the house, was adopted.

ALLIES RENEW ATTEMPT TO FORCE BACK GERMAN LINES IN CHAMPAGNE

(By Associated Press.)

BERLIN, March 1.—A new attempt to force back the German line in France is under way in the Champagne region, although no definite results or battle of importance are developing. The attacks by the allies in this section have been proceeding tentatively for several days. Indica-

tions are now that an assault in force has been launched. At least two army corps of French soldiers are engaged. They were repulsed after fierce fighting at close quarters. At Argonne the French made five efforts to break through, being thrust back each instance.

RUMANIA JOINS ALLIES AND SAYS IT WILL BE IN THE WAR TILL BITTER END--RESERVISTS CALLED FOR SERVICE

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, March 1.—Flags of England and France are flying at the entrance to the Dardanelles over the Turkish forts reduced by the allies' warships. While it appears to be a fact that the fleet has reached the channel fifteen miles from the Mediterranean entrance to the straits, the British press warns the public not to expect the immediate fall of Constantinople. Nevertheless the operations of the warships are creating a stir in the near east. Broussa, in Asiatic Turkey, has been selected by the Turks as their new capital in the event that it is necessary to evacuate Constantinople.

(By Associated Press.)

PETROGRAD, March 1.—The Russians are taking the offensive in North Poland and the Germans are being pushed back. Fighting is severe, possession of villages passing back and forth from one side to the other.

(By Associated Press.)

BUCHAREST, Roumania, March 1.—The Roumanian minister of the interior is credited with the statement that a representative of his country has made a formal agreement with England, France and Russia for ending the war with them. Ten classes of Roumanian reserves are called for March 13.

HEAVIEST SNOWFALL FOR PRESENT SEASON

PRECIPITATION WILL PROVE OF
BIG BENEFIT TO NYE COUNTY
STOCKMEN

From all accounts the storm which set in this morning about 4 o'clock and was still in continuance late this afternoon, is general for the district. The Western Union is having considerable difficulty with its wires. No big teams have arrived from the outside and none were dispatched from Tonopah. The precipitation up to 2 o'clock was five inches, which was heavy with moisture, making the amount of water contents more than half an inch. The storm is proving of incalculable benefit to the stock men, as it assures plenty of range feed, as well as water storage in the deep drifts in the mountains. The precipitation at this point is the heaviest for the season.

CATHEDRAL OF RHEIMS
WILL BE RESTORED

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, March 1.—Guillaume Tronchet, chief architect of the government, declares that it will be possible to restore the cathedral of Rheims. Casts have been long ago taken of nearly all the details of ornamentation that were destroyed, he says, and mathematically precise documents exist from which the jewel of architecture may be reconstructed in every detail.

WILSON AT HELM OF SHIP OF STATE

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, March 1.—The president today told callers that the European situation is demanding so much of his attention that it is doubtful if he would be able to leave Washington to make the proposed visit to the San Francisco exposition.

Consolidated Cuts a Melon

Goldfield Consolidated has announced its 22nd dividend. The rate is 10 cents on about 3,600,000 shares, making the disbursement \$360,000. Hitherto the Consolidated has paid to its shareholders \$27,932,086 and the latest dividend will bring the amount up to \$28,292,086, the record for any gold mine in Nevada and one of the largest paid by any company in any land.

CHRISTIAN F. KOCH IS AN OLD OFFENDER

MAN ARRESTED IN TONOPAH
HAS TWO PRISON TERMS
TO HIS DISCREDIT

The trial of Christian F. Koch, who was arrested in Tonopah a few weeks ago on the charge of defrauding an eastern railroad out of a considerable amount of money by simulating an injury, is now on trial at Duluth, Minnesota. Chief of Police Evans has received copies of Duluth papers, telling of the trial, which is a very interesting one.

It appears that Koch has worked the same game a number of times, in each instance simulating paralysis after a fall. Knowing the temper of the average jury, the railroad companies have in nearly every case settled the claims brought by Koch. Twice, when assuming another name, his efforts to extort money from carrying corporations have resulted in prison terms.

RHYOLITE MILL MAN KILLED INSTANTLY

WAS WORKING IN TRAMPS
CONSOLIDATED MILL WHEN
DEATH CAME

Albert Erickson, a mill man employed in the Tramps Consolidated mill at Rhyolite, was electrocuted Saturday while in the discharge of his duties. The body was frightfully burned, and was taken to Goldfield to an undertaking establishment. C. F. Erickson, a merchant of Lovelock, brother of the deceased, passed through Tonopah yesterday to receive the body and arrange for the funeral. No details of the accident are received, except that Mr. Erickson came in contact with a live wire in the transformer room. He was killed instantly.

FRENCH AMBULANCE DOG
RETURNS TO HIS KENNEL

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, March 1.—Among the ambulance dogs sent to the front recently by Madame Kresser, president of the Ambulance Dog society, was "True," a French shepherd, who was captured by the Germans and kept in captivity several weeks. He managed to escape and find his way back to his kennel in Paris, a distance of over 100 miles.

DEATH LIST REDUCED

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Advises say that nineteen were killed in the gunboat Progress explosion.

BOMB IN A RICE BARREL KILLS THIRTY

(By Associated Press.)

GALVESTON, March 1.—Thirty people, including five women, were killed by an explosion on the Mexican gunboat Progress. According to advices from the Mexican consulate the

explosion occurred while the gunboat was at Progress. What was supposed to be a barrel of rice was in reality a bomb. It was exploded by persons opposed to Carranza.

TODAY AND A YEAR AGO

Official readings of the thermometer by the United States observer at Tonopah:	1915	1914
5 a. m.	29	38
9 a. m.	29	43
12 noon	30	54
2 p. m.	31	57

DROP PROSECUTION IN KIDNAPING CASE

MISS MARY SADLER WILL NOT
BE TRIED FOR TAKING BOY
FROM AUBURN

Miss Mary Sadler, who formerly taught school in Nye county, and who was arrested recently for kidnaping Thomas Kirwan, a 14-year-old boy from Auburn, will not be prosecuted. She has been released from custody. Miss Sadler states that she believes the boy was abused by his sister, Mrs. C. Hulbert, and will not be satisfied until he has been placed in the charge of his aunt, a Mrs. Davis, residing in San Francisco. Now she says she will sue Sheriff George McAuley for damages and others who were responsible for her arrest and imprisonment. Miss Sadler will return to Nevada to teach school.

MURDER CHARGED IN THE FIRST DEGREE

VICTOR BARRON INDICTED BY
THE GRAND JURY SATUR-
DAY EVENING

Victor Barron, who was arrested on the charge of killing DeCosta and Marino, two section men, near Raton, south of Goldfield, on Sunday, January 8, was indicted by the grand jury Saturday night on the charge of murder in the first degree.

He appeared before Judge Averill at noon today and was arraigned. Not having counsel, Thos. K. Chambers was appointed to defend him. Thursday morning at 10 o'clock is the time set for pleading.

EXEMPTION IS MADE FOR MARRIED WOMEN

BUT MARRIED MEN MUST STILL
DO DUTY AS TRIAL
JURORS

(Special to the Bonanza.)

CARSON CITY, March 1.—The substitute tax commission bill, which was to have been made special order for this week, has been postponed by referring it to the committee on taxation, which previously reported it. This delay was chiefly due to the amendments made to the bill not having been printed at the time it was planned to take action.

White's proposed constitutional amendment to make the term of assemblymen four years was killed in the senate by a vote of 13 to 4. The governor's referendum bill was made special order for this afternoon. Married women will not be compelled to serve on juries in Nevada. The jury exemption bill was passed by the senate after amending it to exclude married women, but defeated the amendment to make it exclude married men. The assembly enacted a bill making the salary of the justice of the peace of Reno township \$200 a month. A bill has been introduced in the senate making the state controller ex-officio insurance commissioner. Senator Lee introduced a bill Saturday reducing the legal rate of printing from \$1.50 to 75 cents a nonpareil square. An amendment to the state banking law was introduced, eliminating the position of deputy state bank examiner, except in connection with liquidation of business of banking institutions. The assembly bill making it unlawful for any employer to interfere with any employee who

NEVADA-CALIFORNIA POWER IS TO BE REORGANIZED

An issue of the Rocky Mountain News of Denver, of recent date, has an article telling of the organization of the Nevada-California Electric company, to take over the Nevada-California Power company, Bishop Light and Power, Silver Lake Power and Irrigation, Southern Sierras Power and Corona Light and Power companies. The new corporation is capitalized at \$30,000,000. It is the reorganization of several corporations with substantially the same ownership as heretofore.

Allies May Stop Traffic

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, March 1.—France and England have notified the United States that they would hold themselves at liberty to stop all shipping hereafter to and from Germany.

HAMBURG-AMERICAN LINE INDICTED FOR SUPPLYING GERMAN CRUISERS

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, March 1.—The federal grand jury, which has been investigating violations of the custom laws in connection with furnishing supplies to German cruisers in the Atlantic, has returned an indictment against the Hamburg-American line. Five men are alleged to have been

connected with the shipment. The indictment charges conspiracy to defraud the government through filing at the customs house of false records, making false clearances of vessels and false manifests of cargo. Karl Bunz, director in charge of the New York office, is one of the men indicted.

YOUTHFUL BANDITS CONFESS TO CRIMES

HAD PLANNED TO MURDER
FRANCIS HENEY FOR A
REWARD

(By Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, March 1.—The police have sought to induce Charles Sligh and Alfred Sells, who were arrested a month ago as bandits, to continue the confessions in which they so far have involved each other in a score of crimes, including suspicion in connection with the murder of Jacob Vogel and his wife at Fruitvale; and holding up the Southern Pacific lark train, near Burbank, in September. Sells said, according to the police, that they contemplated the assassination of Francis Heney for his efforts to expose gambling in Oakland in November. The reason Heney was not killed, said Sells, was because Sligh did not get a guarantee of \$2,000 for the work. Sells denied any knowledge of the Vogel murder.

THREE INDICTED ON CONSPIRACY CHARGE

GERMAN NAVAL RESERVIST AL-
LEGED TO HAVE SECURED
PASSPORT FRAUDULENTLY

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, March 1.—Richard Stegler, a German naval reservist, has been indicted charged with conspiracy against the United States by obtaining an American passport falsely. Richard Madden, in whose name the passport was issued, and Gustave Cook are accused of having participated. Both were indicted with Stegler.

MOTION PICTURES OF THE BATTLE FRONTS SHOWN

(By Associated Press.)

VIENNA, March 1.—Moving pictures taken at the battle fronts are being collected and shown before generals and staff officers of the Austrian and Hungarian armies. The Austrian war ministry has set apart quarters in the building housing the ordinary war archives for the films. These later will form a part of the curriculum of the war academy.

FRANK MIDDLETON IS TURNED LOOSE

Frank Middleton, who was arrested on the charge of burglarizing the West End saloon and at whose cabin the stolen money was found, was freed by the grand jury Saturday evening.

British Sure Of Victory

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, March 1.—Premier Asquith in the house of commons today declared that at no time previously had the British been more confident than that all the allies ultimately would achieve victory.